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Prepared By: Anthony Emmert Agenda Item No. K-1

Reviewed By: City Manager [Signature] City Attorney [Signature] Finance _____ Other Public Works/Water

DATE: March 5, 2006

TO: City Council

FROM: Anthony Emmert, Water Resources Manager [Signature]

SUBJECT: Urban Water Management Plan Update 2005

RECOMMENDATION

That City Council adopt a resolution: 1) adopting the City of Oxnard 2005 Urban Water Management Plan update, 2) authorizing the City Manager to file the Plan with the State of California, and 3) declaring City Council's intent to implement water conservation measures.

SUMMARY

The City is subject to the provisions of the California Urban Water Management Planning Act, which requires urban water purveyors providing water to more than 3,000 customers, or supplying more than 3,000 AF of water annually, to prepare and adopt at least once every five years an Urban Water Management Plan (UWMP). The purpose of the UWMP is to ensure that urban water suppliers give careful consideration to water demands, water supplies, water conservation, alternative water supplies, reliability of water supplies, water quality, and to have in place water shortage contingency plans. Additionally, the California Department of Water Resources (CDWR) requires water suppliers to adopt and submit UWMP's in order to be eligible for certain grants, loans, and assistance that it administers.

The City's UWMP 2005 update meets the requirements of the Urban Water Management Planning Act and amendments. The UWMP 2005 shows that, utilizing its multiple water sources and implementing its Groundwater Recovery Enhancement and Treatment (GREAT) Program, the City can meet its normal and drought demands during the study period, 2005 to 2030.

DISCUSSION

The report includes projections of future demands to 2030, utilizing the most current planning documents for all areas within the City's growth limits. It also addresses potential increases in water demands from potential redevelopments of existing properties, such as mixed-use projects for the Downtown area or high-rise residential or office developments along the U.S. 101 corridor.

The UWMP 2005 also provides significantly more information on the local groundwater conditions and restrictions, as managed by the Fox Canyon Groundwater Management Agency, as specifically requested by the CDWR in its review of the City's 2000 update of its UWMP. This includes the ongoing pumping restrictions on two of the City's sources: groundwater from City-owned wells and groundwater from wells owned by the United Water Conservation District. It also factors in the availability of groundwater pumping allocations from parcels proposed for development that previously had groundwater pumping allocations and City's allowable assumption of a portion of those allocations.

The report summarizes the projects of the City's Groundwater Recovery Enhancement and Treatment (GREAT) Program, and their implementation schedule, in order to meet projected demands. The GREAT Program is essential to meeting the City's future water supply demands and water quality standards. Currently, the GREAT Program is on track to produce recycled water and groundwater pumping credits by early 2010, to implement the first expansion by 2012, and to expand to full capacity by 2020. The GREAT Program also complies with the California Water Plan, which advocates the development of local water resources, such as recycled water, in lieu of purchasing additional water supplies from the State Water Project.

The UWMP 2005 also presents the City's comprehensive Water Demand Management/Conservation program. In 2005, the City became signatory to the California Urban Water Conservation Council's memorandum of understanding, which details water conservation best management practices. The UWMP 2005 provides details of the City's plan to implement these best management practices (BMP's). While the City has made good progress on several of the BMP's, much more needs to be done over the next few years. In its 2005-2006 fiscal year budget, the City funded and is currently recruiting a water conservation staff to further develop and implement the City's Water Demand Management Program.

The comprehensive nature of the report is the also the result of the City's increasingly active involvement in regional and state water planning, including the activities of the Fox Canyon Groundwater Management Agency, United Water Conservation District, Calleguas Municipal Water District, Metropolitan Water Agency of Southern California, the California Department of Water Resources, the County of Ventura, and neighboring cities. Solving many of the most difficult water quality and water supply challenges will require cooperative efforts by multiple agencies.

The City distributed the UWMP 2005 document to the County of Ventura, the Fox Canyon Groundwater Management Agency, neighboring cities, and regional water purveyors for review and comment, more than 30 days in advance of the public hearing, as required by the State of California.

By adopting the updated Urban Water Management Plan 2005, the Council certifies that the City is responsibly managing its water resources for current and future needs. The Urban Water Management Plan is scheduled for revision in 2010.

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FINANCIAL IMPACT

The programs and projects included in the Urban Water Management Plan 2005 are included in the City's Capital Improvement Plan budget or the Water Division's Operating budget, and are funded with user fees and charges, connection fees, future bond issuances, and grants.

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Attachments – No. 1 – Urban Water Management Plan 2005

No. 2 – Resolution Adopting Urban Water Management Plan Update

Note: The URBAN WATER MANAGEMENT PLAN 2005 has been provided to the City Council. Copies are available for review at the Circulation Desk in the Library after 6:00 p.m. on the Thursday prior to the Council meeting and at the City Clerks Office after 8:00 a.m. on Monday.

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CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OXNARD

RESOLUTION NO.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OXNARD ADOPTING THE CITY OF OXNARD 2005 URBAN WATER MANAGEMENT PLAN UPDATE AND DECLARING CITY COUNCIL'S INTENT TO IMPLEMENT WATER CONSERVATION MEASURES

WHEREAS, Water Code section 10610 et. seq., known as the Urban Water Management Planning Act, ("Act") mandates that every urban supplier of water providing water for municipal purposes to more than 3,000 customers or supplying more than 3,000 acre feet of water annually, prepare an Urban Water Management Plan ("Plan"); and

WHEREAS, the Act requires urban water suppliers to describe and evaluate sources of water supply, efficient uses of water, demand management measures, implementation strategy and schedule, and other relevant programs and information; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Water Code section 10620, the City has both received information from appropriate agencies in the area and made available its Plan for review in advance of a public hearing; and

WHEREAS, such statutes require the Plan be reviewed at least once every five years, and that the City, as an urban water supplier, make any amendments or changes to the Plan which are indicated by the review; and

WHEREAS, such statutes require the Plan be adopted after public review and hearing, and filed with the California Department of Water Resources, the California State Library, and any city or county within which the supplier provides water supplies within thirty days of adoption; and

WHEREAS, to demonstrate its commitment to water conservation, the City Council has executed a Memorandum of Understanding with the California Urban Water Conservation Council with stated commitments by the City for the funding and execution of water conservation programs.

NOW THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Oxnard resolves:

1. The 2005 Urban Water Management Plan Update ("2005 Plan Update") is hereby adopted and ordered filed with the City Clerk.
2. The City Manager is authorized and directed to file the 2005 Plan Update with the California Department of Water Resources, the California State Library and the County of Ventura within thirty days of March 14, 2006.
3. The City Manager, Public Works Director and Water Superintendent are encouraged to continue the City's water conservation program including those expanded measures described in the 2005 Plan and implement Update, including making

proposals to the City Council to adopt and fund programs, procedures, rules, and regulations to carry out effective and equitable water conservation programs.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS ___ day of _____, 2006 by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

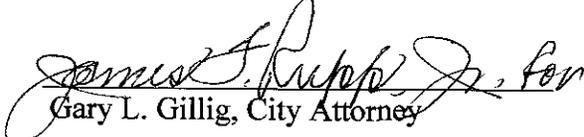
ABSENT:

Dr. Thomas E. Holden, Mayor

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Daniel Martinez, City Clerk


Gary L. Gillig, City Attorney